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March 5, 1962

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Professor Stanley S. Ballard  
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Gainesville, Florida

Dear Professor Ballard:

Dr. Guy Waddington suggested you might be aware of any work that may have been done--which we are unable to find--on the UV absorption properties of naturally occurring minerals (in thin layers, e.g. in relation to their occurrence as soil particles). This is of some importance to us in planning some current work, and I would be grateful for any leads at all.

how about  
mineralogy  
books -- microscopic analyses?

Yours sincerely,

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Joshua Lederberg  
Professor of Genetics

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→ Some work has been done on lava samples at Kilauea -- you could write to the Hawaiian Volcano Observatory, Hawaii National Park P.O., Hawaii. I'm afraid, however, that this was just spectrographic and chemical analysis.

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In haste,  
SS Ballard